

**TOWN OF SHEFFIELD
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
FINANCE COMMITTEE**

APRIL 1, 2015

TOWN HALL

6:30 PM

Board of Selectmen Members Present: David A. Smith, Jr., Chairman
Nadine A. Hawver, Clerk
Rene C. Wood

Finance Committee Members Present: David Steindler, Chairman
John James
David Macy
Julie Hannum

Finance Committee Members Absent: Colin Smith

Others Present: Rhonda LaBombard, Town Administrator
Alicia Dulin, Assistant to the Town Administrator

Chairman Steindler and Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

John James moved to approve the meeting minutes from the March 25, 2015 meeting, seconded by David Macy. The motion carried unanimously.

FY 2016 BUDGET:

Administrator LaBombard explained that she increased the Highway Department budget for Fiscal Year 2016 so an Assistant Highway Superintendent can be hired in order to start planning for the Highway Superintendent's retirement in September of 2016. Discussion ensued. David Macy moved to recommend the approval of the Highway Budget for Fiscal Year 2016 in the amount of \$570,952, seconded by John James. The motion carried unanimously.

The following budgets were discussed and approved:

John James moved to recommend the approval of the Treasurer/Collector budget for Fiscal Year 2016 in the amount of \$154,415, seconded by David Macy. The motion carried unanimously.

David Macy moved to recommend the approval of the Buildings and Grounds budget for Fiscal Year 2016 in the amount of \$81,050, seconded by Julie Hannum. The motion carried unanimously.

David Macy moved to recommend the approval of the Visiting Nurse Association budget for Fiscal Year 2016 in the amount of \$3,635, seconded by Julie Hannum. The motion carried unanimously.

David Macy moved to recommend the approval of the Employer Medicare budget for Fiscal Year 2016 in the amount of \$22,000, seconded by Julie Hannum. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Steindler stated that he thinks that tax recertification should be a part of the operating budget. Administrator LaBombard stated that she will keep that in mind for next year's budget. Julie Hannum

moved to recommend the approval of the Tax Recertification article for Fiscal Year 2016 in the amount of \$10,000, seconded by David Macy. The motion carried unanimously.

John James moved to recommend the approval of the Town Building Repairs & Improvements article for Fiscal Year 2016 in the amount of \$20,000, seconded by David Macy. The motion carried unanimously.

Julie Hannum moved to recommend the approval of the Information Technology Hardware/Software article for Fiscal Year 2016 in the amount of \$10,000, seconded by John James. The motion carried unanimously.

Julie Hannum moved to recommend the approval of the Tax Title article for Fiscal Year 2016 in the amount of \$5,000, seconded by John James. The motion carried unanimously.

David Macy moved to recommend the approval of the Vocational Education Tuition budget for Fiscal year 2016 in the amount \$ 93,936, seconded by Julie Hannum. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued regarding the letter to the Southern Berkshire Regional School District regarding the FY16 school budget. David Macy moved to endorse the letter to the Southern Berkshire Regional School District, seconded by John James. The motion carried unanimously. Selectman Wood stated that she will be presenting the letter to the School Committee at their next meeting and offered to represent the Finance Committee if a member was unable to attend the meeting. David Macy moved that Selectman Wood could represent the Finance Committee at the School Committee meeting on April 2, 2015 if a member of the Finance Committee cannot attend, seconded by John James. The motion carried unanimously.

David Macy moved to recommend the approval of the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2016 in the Amount of \$126,945, seconded by John James. The motion carried unanimously.

It was the consensus of the Finance Committee that their next meeting would be held on April 15, 2015 at 6:30 PM.

David Macy moved to adjourn the Finance Committee meeting, seconded by John James. The motion carried unanimously.

Selectman Hawver moved to adjourn the Board of Selectmen meeting, seconded by Selectman Wood. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Smith and Chairman Steindler adjourned the meeting at 7:40 PM

Respectfully submitted:

Alicia Dulin
Assistant to Town Administrator

Documents were reviewed at this meeting:
Draft FY16 Budget
Letter to Southern Berkshire Regional School District